

MONTANA SENATE  
2007 LEGISLATURE

STATE ADMINISTRATION

ROLL CALL

DATE 3-30-07

NAMES	PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED
SEN. JOE BALLYEAT (R)	✓		
SEN. VICKI COCCHIARELLA (D)	✓		
SEN. JEFF ESSMANN (R)	✓		
SEN. STEVE GALLUS (D)	✓		
SEN. LARRY JENT (D)	✓		
SEN. RICK LIABLE (R)	✓		
SEN. JESSE LASLOVICH (D)	✓		
SEN. DAVE LEWIS (D)	✓		
SEN. JIM SHOCKLEY (R)	✓		
SEN. JOE TROPILA (D)	✓		
SEN. CAROLYN SQUIRES (D) CHAIR	✓		
DAVE BOHYER, LSD	✓		
<del>CAROL ANDERSEN</del> , SECRETARY	✓		

*Les O'Connor*



## SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

March 31, 2007

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Mr. President:

We, your committee on **State Administration** recommend that **Senate Resolution 9** (first reading copy -- white) **do pass**.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

*Carolyn Squires*  
Senator Carolyn Squires, Chair

- END -

**Committee Vote:**

**Yes 6, No 5**

Fiscal Note Required —

*KH*

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## SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

March 31, 2007

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Mr. President:

We, your committee on **State Administration** recommend that **House Joint Resolution 45**  
(third reading copy -- blue) **be concurred in.**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

*Carolyn Squires*  
Senator Carolyn Squires, Chair

To be carried by Senator Joseph (Joe) Tropila

- END -

Committee Vote:

Yes 11, No 0

Fiscal Note Required \_\_\_\_\_

*K*

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## SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

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Mr. President:

We, your committee on **State Administration** recommend that **House Joint Resolution 41** (third reading copy -- blue) be concurred in as amended.

Signed:

*Carolyn Squires*  
Senator Carolyn Squires, Chair

To be carried by Senator Joseph (Joe) Tropila

And, that such amendments read:

1. Page 1, line 21.

**Strike:** "18"

**Insert:** "a number of"

2. Page 1, line 22.

**Strike:** "."

**Insert:** "; and"

3. Page 1.

**Following:** line 22

**Insert:** "WHEREAS, we as Montanans will continue to support these heroes as they return home to face the challenge of rejoining family, friends, and community."

- END -

Committee Vote:

Yes 11, No 0

Fiscal Note Required — *KF*

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## SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

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Mr. President:

We, your committee on **State Administration** recommend that **House Bill 433** (third reading copy -- blue) **be concurred in as amended.**

Signed:

*Carolyn Squires*  
Senator Carolyn Squires, Chair

To be carried by Senator Jim Shockley

**And, that such amendments read:**

1. Title, line 6.

**Following:** "ELECTED"

**Insert:** "OR APPOINTED"

**Following:** "OFFICIAL"

**Insert:** "; REQUIRING STATE AGENCIES AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO DESIGNATE AN OFFICE FROM WHICH THE SUMMARY REPORT MAY BE OBTAINED; AND REQUIRING STATE AGENCIES AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO POST THE SUMMARY REPORT TO THE INTERNET"

2. Page 1.

**Following:** line 14

**Insert:** "(2) Each state agency and local government subject to subsection (1) shall:

(a) designate an office from which a copy of the report may be obtained; and

(b) post a copy of the report to the agency's or local government's website on the internet, if the agency or local government has a website."

**Renumber:** subsequent subsection

- END -

**Committee Vote:**

**Yes 8, No 3**

**Fiscal Note Required** — *Kf*

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## SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT


March 31, 2007

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Mr. President:

We, your committee on **State Administration** recommend that **House Bill 487** (third reading copy -- blue) be concurred in as amended.

Signed:

  
Senator Carolyn Squires, Chair

To be carried by Senator Dave Lewis

And, that such amendments read:

1. Title, line 6.

Strike: "AMENDING RELATED FEES;"

Strike: "SECTIONS"

Insert: "SECTION"

Following: "2-7-503"

Insert: ", "

Strike: "AND"

2. Title, line 7.

Strike: "2-7-514,"

3. Page 1, line 22.

Strike: "\$400,000"

Insert: "the threshold dollar amount established by the director of the office of management and budget pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 7502(a)(3), but regardless of the source of revenue or financial assistance,"


4. Page 2, line 15 through page 3, line 1.

Strike: section 2 through section 3 in their entirety

- END -

Committee Vote:

Yes 11, No 0

Fiscal Note Required 

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## SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

March 31, 2007

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Mr. President:

We, your committee on **State Administration** recommend that **House Bill 765** (third reading copy -- blue) be concurred in as amended.

Signed:

*Carolyn Squires*  
Senator Carolyn Squires, Chair

To be carried by Senator Vicki Cocchiarella

**And, that such amendments read:**

1. Title, line 4 through line 5.

**Strike:** "PROVIDING" on line 4 through "PARTICIPATION" on line 5

**Insert:** "ALLOWING A LEGISLATOR TO CONTINUE ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP"

2. Title, line 5.

**Following:** "IN"

**Strike:** "A"

**Insert:** "THE"

**Following:** "SYSTEM"

**Insert:** "OF WHICH THE LEGISLATOR IS A MEMBER"

**Strike:** "SECTION"

**Insert:** "SECTIONS"

3. Title, line 6.

**Following:** "5-2-304"

**Insert:** "AND 19-3-412"

**Following:** "DATE"

**Insert:** "AND A RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY DATE"

4. Page 1, line 10 through page 2, line 26.

**Strike:** sections 1 through section 3 in their entirety

5. Page 2.

**Following:** line 26

**Insert:** "Section 1. Section 5-2-304, MCA, is amended to read:

"5-2-304. ~~Continued participation~~ Participation in public

**Committee Vote:**

**Yes 11, No 0**

**Fiscal Note Required** — *KH*

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**retirement systems.** (1) ~~The purpose of this section is to provide a means whereby persons serving in~~ allow a person who is elected or appointed to the Montana legislature may and who is also a member of a retirement system provided for in Title 19, chapter 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 13, 20, or 21, by virtue of the person's nonlegislative employment, to continue their the person's participation in the public retirement systems governed by state law system of which the person is a member.

(2) This section is not intended to provide duplicate credit for the same service in two retirement systems supported wholly or in part by public funds. This section does not affect contribution rates or benefit payments specifically provided for in the laws governing the operation of individual retirement systems.

(3) (a) A person who is an inactive or retired member of a retirement system provided for in Title 19, chapter 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 13, 20, or 21, and who is elected or appointed to be a legislator may:

(i) return to active membership in the system of which the person is an inactive or retired member under the requirements of that system; or

(ii) remain an inactive or retired member of the retirement system and become an active member of the public employees' retirement system pursuant to 19-3-412.

(b) A person who is an inactive or retired member of the public employees' retirement system provided for in Title 19, chapter 3, and who is elected or appointed to the legislature may return to active membership in the public employees' retirement system but cannot simultaneously be an inactive or retired member of the system as a result of prior covered terminated employment and an active member of the retirement system under 19-3-412 or this section.

~~(2)(4)~~ (a) A person who is engaged in official duties as a member of the Montana legislature and who is a an active member of a public retirement system governed by state law and who is elected or appointed to be a legislator may, but is not required to, continue the person's participation in that public retirement system while engaged in official duties as a legislator.

(b) To continue participation as an active member in the public retirement system, a legislator shall, within 180 days of taking office and in a manner prescribed by the appropriate board, file an irrevocable written election with the teachers' retirement board or the public employees' retirement board.

~~(3)(5)~~ (5) A legislator who elects to continue participation as an active member as provided in subsection (2) (4) shall continue the payments into the fund of the retirement system at the rate currently in effect in the system based on the legislator's monthly salary as a member of that system.

~~(4)(6)~~ (6) The state contribution must be made by legislative appropriation. It must equal the appropriate employer contribution at the rate currently in effect in the system."



Insert: "Section 2. Section 19-3-412, MCA, is amended to read:

**"19-3-412. Optional membership.** (1) Except as provided in 5-2-304 and subsection (2) of this section, the following employees and elected officials in covered positions shall elect either to become active members of the retirement system or to decline this optional membership by filing an irrevocable, written application with the board in the manner prescribed in subsection (3):

(a) elected officials of the state or local governments who:

(i) are paid on a salary or wage basis rather than on a per diem or other reimbursement basis; or

(ii) were members receiving retirement benefits under the defined benefit plan or a distribution under the defined contribution plan at the time of their election;

(b) employees serving in employment that does not cumulatively exceed a total of 960 hours of covered employment with all employers under this chapter in any fiscal year;

(c) employees directly appointed by the governor;

(d) employees working 6 months or less for the legislative branch to perform work related to the legislative session;

(e) the chief administrative officer of any city or county;

(f) employees of county hospitals or rest homes.

(2) (a) Except as provided in subsection (2) (b), employees and officials described in subsections (1) (a) through (1) (f) who are employees or officials but not members on July 1, 1999, have until December 1, 1999, to file an irrevocable, written application with the board.

(b) A legislator may also become a member as of the date prior to December 30, 2000, that the legislator filed an irrevocable written application with the board to become a member and paid the employee share of contributions determined by the board to be required to purchase the legislator's prior service credit. However, the legislator shall purchase at least 5 years of service credit or, if the legislator has less than 5 years of membership service, service credit equal to all of the legislator's membership service. The legislative branch is responsible for paying the amount determined by the board to be the employer's share of contributions required to purchase a legislator's service credit under this subsection (2) (b).

(c) A member who after April 17, 2003, is elected to a local government position in which the member works less than 960 hours in a calendar year may, within 180 days of being elected, decline optional membership with respect to the member's elected position.

(3) (a) The board shall prescribe the form of the written application required pursuant to subsection (1) and provide written application forms to each employer.

(b) Each employee or elected official in a position covered under subsection (1) shall obtain the written application form from the employer and complete and return it to the board.

(c) The written application must be filed with the board within 180 days of the commencement of the employee's or elected official's employment.

(d) The employer shall retain a copy of the employee's or elected official's written application.

(4) If the employee or elected official fails to file the written application required under subsection (1) with the board within the time allowed in subsection (3), the employee or elected official waives membership.

(5) An employee or elected official who declines optional membership may not receive membership service or service credit for the employment for which membership was declined.

(6) An employee or elected official who declined optional membership but later becomes a member may purchase service credit for the period of time beginning with the date of employment in which membership was declined to the commencement of membership. Purchase of service credit pursuant to this subsection must comply with 19-3-505.

(7) Except as provided in subsection (2)(c), membership in the retirement system is not optional for an employee or elected official who is already a member. Upon employment in a position for which membership is optional:

(a) a member who was an active member before the employment remains an active member;

(b) a member who was an inactive member before the employment becomes an active member; and

(c) a member who was a retired member before the employment is subject to part 11 of this chapter.

(8) (a) An employee or elected official who declines membership for a position for which membership is optional may not later become a member while still employed in that position.

(b) If, after a break in service of 30 days or more, an employee who was employed in an optional membership position is reemployed in the same position or is employed in a different position for which membership is optional, the employee shall again choose or decline membership.

(c) If the break in service is less than 30 days, an employee who declined membership is bound by the employee's original decision to decline membership.

(9) An employee accepting a position that requires membership shall become a member even if the employee previously declined membership and did not have a 30-day break in service."

**Insert: "NEW SECTION. Section 3. Transition.** (1) A person who is subject to the provisions of 5-2-304 who made an irrevocable election under 5-2-304 after January 1, 2003, and before [the effective date of this act] may rescind the election.

(2) A person who is eligible under subsection (1) to

rescind an election previously made by the person pursuant to 5-2-304 shall notify the public employees' retirement board in writing prior to July 1, 2007, that the person has rescinded the person's prior election.

(3) A person who rescinds, under subsection (2), the person's previous election is:

(a) subject to the applicable options available under 5-2-304 and 19-3-412 as provided for in [this act]; and

(b) is eligible to receive retroactively to January 1, 2007, the retirement benefits for which the person would have been eligible absent the original election."

**Renumber:** subsequent section

6. Page 2.

**Following:** line 28

**Insert:** "NEW SECTION. Section 5. Retroactive applicability. [This act] applies retroactively, within the meaning of 1-2-109, to January 1, 2003."

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## SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

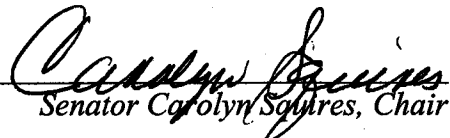
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Mr. President:

We, your committee on **State Administration** recommend that **House Bill 690** (third reading copy -- blue) be concurred in.

Signed:

  
Senator Carolyn Squires, Chair

To be carried by Senator Steven Gallus

- END -

Committee Vote:

Yes 11, No 0

Fiscal Note Required \_\_\_\_\_

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## SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

March 31, 2007

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Mr. President:

We, your committee on **State Administration** recommend that **House Bill 706** (third reading copy -- blue) be concurred in as amended.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

*Carolyn Squires*  
Senator Carolyn Squires, Chair

To be carried by Senator Vicki Cocchiarella

**And, that such amendments read:**

1. Page 2, line 10.

**Strike:** "June"

**Insert:** "January"

**Strike:** "prior to the"

2. Page 2, line 11.

**Strike:** "year"

**Strike:** "June 2007"

**Insert:** "January 2003"

- END -

**Committee Vote:**

**Yes 11, No 0**

Fiscal Note Required \_\_\_\_\_ *Kf*

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## SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

March 31, 2007

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Mr. President:

We, your committee on **State Administration** recommend that **House Bill 729** (third reading copy -- blue) be concurred in.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

*Carolyn Squires*  
Senator Carolyn Squires, Chair

To be carried by Senator Carolyn Squires

- END -

Committee Vote:

Yes 10, No 1

Fiscal Note Required

*Kf*

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## SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

March 31, 2007

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Mr. President:

We, your committee on **State Administration** recommend that **House Bill 771** (third reading copy -- blue) **be concurred in.**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

*Carolyn Squires*  
Senator Carolyn Squires, Chair

To be carried by Senator Larry Jent

- END -

Committee Vote:

Yes 10, No 1

Fiscal Note Required \_\_\_\_\_

*KF*

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## SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

March 31, 2007

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Mr. President:

We, your committee on **State Administration** recommend that **House Bill 650** (third reading copy -- blue) **be concurred in.**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

*Carolyn Squires*  
Senator Carolyn Squires, Chair

To be carried by Senator Dan McGee

- END -

Committee Vote:

Yes 10, No 1

Fiscal Note Required \_\_\_\_\_

*Kf*

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## SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

March 31, 2007

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Mr. President:

We, your committee on **State Administration** recommend that **House Bill 225** (third reading copy -- blue) be concurred in.

Signed:

*Carolyn Squires*  
Senator Carolyn Squires, Chair

To be carried by Senator Jim Shockley

- END -

Committee Vote:

Yes 8, No 3

Fiscal Note Required —

*Kf*


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**TABLED BILL**

The **SENATE STATE ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE** TABLED **HB 97**, by motion, on **Friday, March 30, 2007**.

  
(For the Committee)

  
(Secretary of the Senate)

\_\_\_\_\_, 3-31  
(Time) (Date)

March 31, 2007

Lois A. O'Connor, Secretary

Phone: 444-4772


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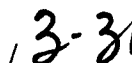
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**TABLED BILL**

The **SENATE STATE ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE** TABLED HB 209, by motion, on **Friday, March 30, 2007.**

  
(For the Committee)

  
(Secretary of the Senate)

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(Time) (Date)

March 31, 2007

Lois A. O'Connor, Secretary

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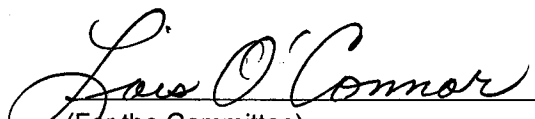
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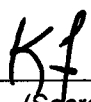
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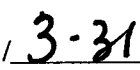
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**TABLED BILL**

The **SENATE STATE ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE** TABLED HB 544, by motion, on **Friday, March 30, 2007**.

  
(For the Committee)

  
(Secretary of the Senate)

  
(Time) (Date)

March 31, 2007

Lois A. O'Connor, Secretary

Phone: 444-4772

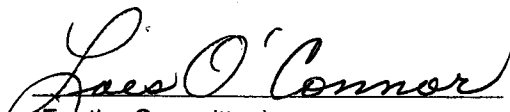
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### TABLED BILL

The **SENATE STATE ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE** TABLED HB 185, by motion, on **Friday, March 30, 2007**.

  
(For the Committee)

  
(Secretary of the Senate)

\_\_\_\_\_, 3-31  
(Time) (Date)

March 31, 2007

Lois A. O'Connor, Secretary

Phone: 444-4772

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MONTANA STATE SENATE  
2007 LEGISLATURE

STATE ADMINISTRATION

ROLL CALL VOTE

DATE 3-30-07 BILL NO. SR-9 NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

MOTION:

Approve SR-9 Passed 6-5  
Appointment of Stan Boone to the  
Board of Livestock

NAME	AYE	NO
SEN. JOE BALLYEAT (R)		✓
SEN. VICKI COCCHIARELLA (D)	✓	1
SEN. JEFF ESSMANN (R)		✓
SEN. STEVE GALLUS (D)	✓	
SEN. LARRY JENT (D)	✓	
SEN. RICK LAIBLE (R)		✓
SEN. JESSE LASLOVICH (D)	✓	
SEN. DAVE LEWIS (R)		✓
SEN. JIM SHOCKLEY (R)		✓
SEN. JOE TROPILA (D)	✓	
SEN. CAROLYN SQUIRES (D) - CHR	✓	
	6	5

MONTANA STATE SENATE  
2007 LEGISLATURE

STATE ADMINISTRATION

ROLL CALL VOTE

DATE 3-30-07 BILL NO. HB-97 NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_  
MOTION: Table  
Passed 6-5

NAME	AYE	NO
SEN. JOE BALLYEAT (R)		✓
SEN. VICKI COCCHIARELLA (D)	✓	
SEN. JEFF ESSMANN (R)		✓
SEN. STEVE GALLUS (D)	✓	
SEN. LARRY JENT (D)	✓	
SEN. RICK LAIBLE (R)		✓
SEN. JESSE LASLOVICH (D)	✓	
SEN. DAVE LEWIS (R)		✓
SEN. JIM SHOCKLEY (R)		✓
SEN. JOE TROPILA (D)	✓	✗
SEN. CAROLYN SQUIRES (D) - CHR	✓	
	6	5

MONTANA STATE SENATE  
2007 LEGISLATURE

STATE ADMINISTRATION

ROLL CALL VOTE

DATE 3-30-07 BILL NO. HB-544 NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

MOTION: Table

Passed 6-5 R/Vote

NAME	AYE	NO
SEN. JOE BALLYEAT (R)		✓
SEN. VICKI COCCHIARELLA (D)	✓	
SEN. JEFF ESSMANN (R)	✓	
SEN. STEVE GALLUS (D)	✓	
SEN. LARRY JENT (D)	.	✓
SEN. RICK LAIBLE (R)	✓	
SEN. JESSE LASLOVICH (D)	.	✓
SEN. DAVE LEWIS (R)	.	✓
SEN. JIM SHOCKLEY (R)	✓	
SEN. JOE TROPILA (D)	✓	
SEN. CAROLYN SQUIRES (D) - CHR	-	✓
	6	5



MONTANA STATE SENATE  
2007 LEGISLATURE

STATE ADMINISTRATION

ROLL CALL VOTE

DATE 3-30-07 BILL NO. HB-185 NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

MOTION: table

Passed 6-5 R.C. Vote

NAME	AYE	NO
SEN. JOE BALLYEAT (R)	✓	
SEN. VICKI COCCHIARELLA (D)		✓
SEN. JEFF ESSMANN (R)	✓	
SEN. STEVE GALLUS (D)	✓	
SEN. LARRY JENT (D)	✓	
SEN. RICK LAIBLE (R)		✓
SEN. JESSE LASLOVICH (D)	✓	
SEN. DAVE LEWIS (R)		✓
SEN. JIM SHOCKLEY (R)		✓
SEN. JOE TROPILA (D)	✓	
SEN. CAROLYN SQUIRES (D) - CHR		✓
	6	5

MONTANA STATE SENATE  
2007 LEGISLATURE

STATE ADMINISTRATION

ROLL CALL VOTE

DATE 3-30-07 BILL NO. HB-185 NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

MOTION: Table

Passed 6-5 R.C. Vote

NAME	AYE	NO
SEN. JOE BALLYEAT (R)	✓	
SEN. VICKI COCCHIARELLA (D)		✓
SEN. JEFF ESSMANN (R)	✓	
SEN. STEVE GALLUS (D)	✓	
SEN. LARRY JENT (D)	✓	
SEN. RICK LAIBLE (R)		✓
SEN. JESSE LASLOVICH (D)	✓	.
SEN. DAVE LEWIS (R)		✓
SEN. JIM SHOCKLEY (R)		✓
SEN. JOE TROPILA (D)	✓	
SEN. CAROLYN SQUIRES (D) - CHR		✓
	6	5

# SENATE PROXY FORM

According to Senate Rule 30-70 ( 13) ( f ) , a committee member may vote by proxy using a standard form.

## PROXY VOTE

I, the undersigned, hereby authorize Senator

Dr. J. J. JAMES

to vote my proxy on any issue before the Senate

State AD.

Committee

held on

3.30

, 2007.

SJR 89: Yes

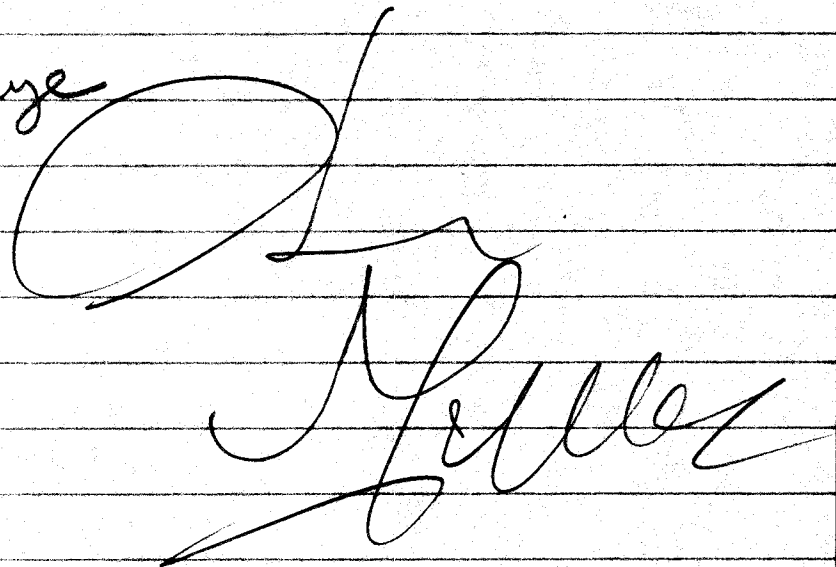
Lane  
SENATOR  
STATE OF MONTANA

3/30/07

My [copy]

This Day

- ✓ HJ 45- aye
- ✓ HJ 41 - amend aye HJ 41 Concept amend aye
- ✓ HJ 41 - as amended - aye
- ✓ HB 97 - T aye
- ✓ HB 209 -
- ✓ HB 706 - amend - aye
- ✓ HB 706 as amended - aye
- ✓ HB 729 aye
- ✓ HB 771 aye
- ✓ HB 650 aye
- ✓ HB 225 aye
- ✓ HB 185 amend - T aye



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# SENATE PROXY FORM

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## PROXY VOTE

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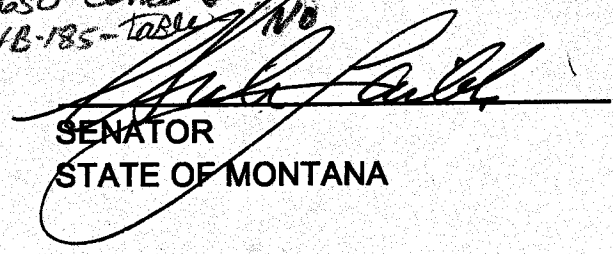
to vote my proxy on any issue before the Senate State Ad

\_\_\_\_\_ Committee

held on March 30, 2007, 2007.

HB-97 Table No  
HB-209 Table No  
HB-433 Concur As Amend yes  
HB-487 Concur as Amend yes  
HB-765 Concur as amend yes  
HB-544 Table - yes  
HB-690 Concur - yes  
HB-706 Concur as amend - yes  
HB-771 Concur yes

HB-225 Concur In - yes  
HB-650 Concur In - yes  
HB-185 Table - No

  
SENATOR  
STATE OF MONTANA

## SENATE PROXY FORM

According to Senate Rule 30-70 (13) (f), a committee member may vote by proxy using a standard form.

### PROXY VOTE

I, the undersigned, hereby authorize Senator

Essmzn

to vote my proxy on any issue before the Senate

State Admin

Committee

held on

March 30, 2007

, 2007.

HB-97 - Table No  
HB-209 - Table No  
HB-433 - Concur as amended - yes  
HB-487 - yes Concur as amended  
HB-765 - Concur as amended - yes  
HB-729 Concur Sm - yes  
HB 771 Concur - yes  
HB 650 Concur as amended - yes

HB-225 Concur Sm

Dane Lewis

SENATOR

STATE OF MONTANA

**PLEASE LEAVE PREPARED STATEMENT WITH COMMITTEE SECRETARY**



Amendments to House Joint Resolution No. 41  
3rd Reading Copy

For the Senate State Administration Committee

Prepared by Dave Bohyer  
March 31, 2007 (9:35am)

1. Page 1, line 21.

**Strike:** "18"

**Insert:** "a number of"

2. Page 1, line 22.

**Strike:** "."

**Insert:** "; and"

3. Page 1.

**Following:** line 22

**Insert:** "WHEREAS, we as Montanans will continue to support these  
heroes as they return home to face the challenge of  
rejoining family, friends, and community."

- END -

Amendments to House Bill No. 487  
3rd Reading Copy

Requested by Senator Dave Lewis

For the Senate State Administration Committee

Prepared by Dave Bohyer  
March 31, 2007 (9:35am)

1. Title, line 6.

**Strike:** "AMENDING RELATED FEES;"

**Strike:** "SECTIONS"

**Insert:** "SECTION"

**Following:** "2-7-503"

**Insert:** ", "

**Strike:** "AND"

2. Title, line 7.

**Strike:** "2-7-514,"

3. Page 1, line 22.

**Strike:** "\$400,000"

**Insert:** "the threshold dollar amount established by the director  
of the office of management and budget pursuant to 31 U.S.C.  
7502(a)(3), but regardless of the source of revenue or  
financial assistance,"

4. Page 2, line 15 through page 3, line 1.

**Strike:** section 2 through section 3 in their entirety

- END -

Mary Sexton  
Box 1303  
Choteau, MT 59422

March 22, 2007

Carolyn Squires  
State Administration  
Montana Legislature  
Helena, Mt

Dear Senator Squires,

With this letter, I wish to express my enthusiastic support for Mr. Stan Boone as a member of the Board of Livestock. I served with Mr. Boone on the Ravalli County Planning Board which he chaired in the mid-1980's. His capable leadership on the sometimes contentious planning board indicated his ability to see all sides of an issue and bring people together. Mr. Boone has been in the livestock business for over 35 years operating ranches in the Bitterroot and now in the Ingomar area. He has continued his public service through agricultural and community organizations.

I believe that Mr. Boone would be an excellent member of the Board of Livestock. I urge you to confirm his appointment.


Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Mary Sexton', with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Mary Sexton

cc: Patti Keebler

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March 23, 2007

Senator Carolyn Squires, Chairperson  
Governmental Affairs Committee  
P.O. Box 200500  
Helena, MT 59620-0500

RE: Stan Boone  
Board of Livestock Nominee

Dear Senator Squires:

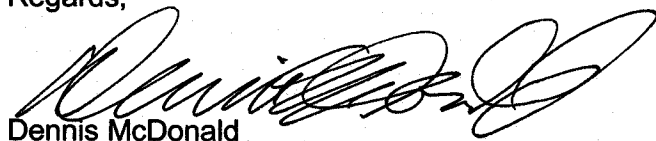
Thank you very much for scheduling the hearing on behalf of Stan Boone. I appreciate you and the entire committee expediting Mr. Boone's confirmation hearing.

Cattle producers from across the state have sought the confirmation of Stan Boone to the Livestock Board. Montana Cattlemen's Association, the largest grassroots cattle organization in Montana, suggested Stan early on for this position. This suggestion recognized Stan's commitment to the livestock industry in Montana over the last four decades. You are probably aware that Stan served as President of Montana Cattlemen's Association many years ago. His son Mark presently serves on the MCA Board of Directors. In addition, Stan has served on various committees and boards in the past and has done so with honor and integrity. Particularly, Stan was appointed to a fish and game board by former Governor Ted Schwinden and served with distinction.

Stan has always been an outstanding community leader. He is a long time supporter of 4-H, FFA, and other groups. He has been a leader at his church and throughout the community.

Stan will be an outstanding addition to the Board of Livestock representing grassroots family livestock producers. We all look forward to his speedy confirmation.

Regards,



Dennis McDonald

cc: Committee members